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Sunday, November 19, 2006

-- Liberal Political Science professor Dr. Shafiq Al-Ghabra editorialized in moderate Arabic daily Al-Rai under the title "Iraq Amidst Civil War" (11/19):

"Iraq is entering a tough phase because it is experiencing a civil war that is about to destroy the fabric of its society, its history and future all at the same time. It is a war with no end in sight unless all the parties become tired of playing with the tools of death."

-- In progressive Arabic daily Al-Qabas under the title "Mixed Papers and Israel Initiated It" Salah Montasir commented (11/19):

"I cannot by any standard excuse Israel from its responsibility for this dangerous issue [nuclear weapons]. Had it not broken the law, declined to sign international nuclear treaties, and denied the inspection of its facilities then there would be incentive for other countries to do the same. Countries such as North Korea and Iran say, 'why Israel and not us?'"

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